

1996 Flash Flood / River Flood Related Fatalities

The #1 weather-related killer in 1996 was floods and flash floods, causing 131 deaths. Last year, heat-related fatalities ranked number one! Most of those who died (79 or 60%) were killed trying to drive across flooded roadways. Another 31 (24%) individuals were in or near a swollen waterway when they lost their footing, fell into the water and were swept away. The 1996 flood fatalities (131) was slightly lower than the 30-year national average of 138. Pennsylvania was hardest hit with more than twice the number of deaths (27) than any other state. Of the 131 fatalities, 78 (60%) were male, 52 (40%) were female and one was unknown.

1996 FLASH FLOOD / RIVER FLOOD FATALITIES BY STATE AND LOCATION									
<u>STATE</u>	<u>BO</u>	<u>BU</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>IW</u>	<u>MH</u>	<u>OT</u>	<u>PH</u>	<u>VE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
AL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
CA	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	4
CO	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	3
ID	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
IL	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
IN	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	2
KS	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
KY	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
MD	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	3
ME	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
MI	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
MO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	7
MT	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	4
NH	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
NJ	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
NM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5
NY	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	9	12
OH	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	3
OK	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5
OR	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	6	12
PA	0	0	0	4	3	2	2	16	27
PR	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
SC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
TX	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	6	7
UT	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
VA	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	9	10
VT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
WA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
WV	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	3	7
TOTAL	0	0	0	31	4	8	9	79	131
PERCENT	0	0	0	24	3	6	7	60	100

1996 FLASH FLOOD / RIVER FLOOD FATALITIES BY AGE AND GENDER					
	<u>FEMALE</u>	<u>MALE</u>	<u>UNKNOWN</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>PERCENT</u>
0 TO 9	5	9	0	14	11
10 TO 19	7	9	0	16	12
20 TO 29	7	13	0	20	15
30 TO 39	7	5	0	12	9
40 TO 49	6	12	0	18	14
50 TO 59	6	10	0	16	12
60 TO 69	5	5	0	10	8
70 TO 79	7	9	0	16	12
80 TO 89	2	1	0	3	2
90 TO --	0	0	0	0	0
UNKNOWN	0	5	1	6	5
TOTALS	52	78	1	131	100
PERCENT	40	60	1	100	

LEGEND

BO - Boat
BU - Business
CA - Camping
IW - In Water
MH - Mobile Home
OT - Other/Unknown
PH - Permanent Home
VE - Vehicle

1996 Flash Flood / River Flood Related Fatalities (Continued)

1996 FLASH FLOOD / RIVER FLOOD FATALITIES BY STATE

<u>STATE</u>	<u>FLASH FLOOD</u>	<u>RIVER FLOOD</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
AL	1	0	1
CA	2	2	4
CO	3	0	3
ID	1	0	1
IL	2	0	2
IN	2	0	2
KS	2	0	2
KY	2	0	2
MD	3	0	3
ME	1	0	1
MI	2	0	2
MO	7	0	7
MT	0	4	4
NH	1	0	1
NJ	1	1	2
NM	5	0	5
NY	7	5	12
OH	3	0	3
OK	5	0	5
OR	0	12	12
PA	23	4	27
PR	1	0	1
SC	1	0	1
TX	6	1	7
UT	1	0	1
VA	5	5	10
VT	0	2	2
WA	0	1	1
WV	7	0	7
TOTAL	94	37	131
PERCENT	72	28	100

1996 FLASH FLOOD / RIVER FLOOD FATALITIES BY GENDER

	<u>FLASH FLOOD</u>	<u>RIVER FLOOD</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>PERCENT</u>
FEMALE	39	13	52	40
MALE	55	23	78	60
UNKNOWN	0	1	1	1
TOTALS	94	37	131	100
PERCENT	72	28	100	